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June 14, 2019

VIA ECFS

Marlene Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 00-257

Notification of Transfer of Subscribers From Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc. to Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 64.1120

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. ("ICTC"), and pursuant to Section 64.1120(e) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e), this letter provides notice to the Commission of ICTC's intent to acquire the customer base of Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc. ("Absaraka").¹

- (1) Name of the Parties to the Transaction
 Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C.
 Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc.
- (2) <u>Types of Telecommunications Services Provided to Affected Customer:</u> Local exchange telephone service and long distance²
- (3) <u>Date of Transfer</u>

The transfer of Absaraka's subscriber base to ICTC is expected to occur, pending regulatory approvals, on or about August 15, 2019.

¹ See ECFS Filing Confirmation Number 201906141914800968 (Filed on June 14, 2019).

² The long distance service provided by both ICTC and Absaraka is provided by an IXC for whom ICTC and Absaraka each act as a billing and collection agent.



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(4) <u>Certificate of Compliance</u>

Attached hereto as Exhibit A is ICTC's certification required under Section 64.1120(e)(1) of the Commission's rules confirming that Abasaraka's customers will receive written notice not later than 30 days before the transfer date.

(5) Copy of Notice Sent to Affected Subscribers

Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a copy of a representative sample of the customer notice that will be mailed to the affected customers.

Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tony S. Lee

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Counsel for Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C.

EXHIBIT A

Certification of Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C.

CERTIFICATION

I, Derrick F. Bulawa, CEO of Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. ("ICTC", hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of ICTC; that I have read the foregoing document and know the contents thereof; and that the same are true of my own knowledge, except to those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. I further certify that with respect to the transfer of Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company customers to ICTC, ICTC will comply with the Commission's requirements to provide advance customer notice in accordance with Section 64.1120(e)(3), with the obligations specified in that notice, and with other statutory and Commission requirements that apply.

Derrick F. Bulawa

CEO

Inter-Community Telephone Company

June 14, 2019

Date

EXHIBIT B

Sample Notice to Customers

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Sample Notice to Affected Subscribers

June 17th, 2019

Dear Valued Customer:

This is an important notice required by the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("ND PSC") and the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") concerning your local telecommunications services.

Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. ("ICTC") has agreed to acquire the Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc. ("Absaraka") local exchange network serving the Absaraka, North Dakota. Pending final regulatory approval, we anticipate this acquisition will close, effective on or about August 15th 2019.

The acquisition will result in a change of your local carrier. Following the acquisition, ICTC will assume direct responsibility for the provisioning of local telecommunications services. Long distance services provided to you by Onvoy, LLC will remain unchanged. **This change will not affect your existing services or rates. Your telephone number will not change.** Going forward, ICTC will notify you in writing at least 30 days in advance of any future changes to your local or long distance services or rates.

Prior to and following the closing date, ICTC and Absaraka will work cooperatively to ensure a seamless transition for customers. Prior to the closing date and for a limited transitional period, Absaraka will be responsible for receiving any inquiries, complaints or changes to your service. Following the closing date and any transitional period, ICTC will be responsible for receiving any inquiries, complaints or changes to your service. In order to ensure that any service-related issues or other concerns are addressed, ICTC and Absaraka will coordinate to handle service orders, billing inquiries, customer service inquiries or other customer communications. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact us:

Contact ICTC

Office Address:
Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C.
200 East Broadway
P.O. Box 230
Steele, ND 58482-0230

Telephone: 701-475-1220
Toll Free: (888) 475-2361
Email: customerservice@ictc.net

Contact Absaraka

Office Address: 2894 146th Avenue, S.E. Absaraka, ND 58002 Telephone: 701-896-3404

Email: Ann.Faught@wtc-mail.net

If you have complaints or concerns that we are unable to address, you may contact the ND PSC Customer Service Section, including by calling toll-free at (877) 245-6685 or via email at nd.gov.

You may choose another carrier for your local and long distance services. **Unless you elect to change your local or long distance carrier, no action is required by you. You will continue to receive the same, excellent services without interruption.** You will not be charged any carrier-change fees by ICTC or Absaraka as a result of any changes made prior to the closing date. Carrier change/initiation fees may apply if you select another carrier for your local and/or long distance service. If you have a freeze on your preferred long distance carrier, that freeze will continue without any change because there will be no change to your current long distance provider as a result of the transaction.

This transaction will not result in the discontinuance, interruption or impairment of any telecommunications services to which you are subscribed. As indicated above, **your existing rates and service plans will remain the same**.

Providing excellent and uninterrupted service to our valued customers is our top priority. Please contact us using the carrier contact information provided above any questions or concerns you may have concerning this transfer.

We look forward to serving you. Thank you for your business.

Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C.